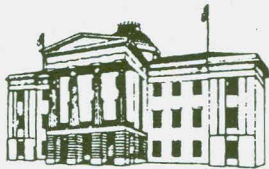


State of North Carolina



BEVERLY EAVES PERDUE
GOVERNOR

SIBLINGS DAY

2012

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, a sibling relationship is a very important life-long family bond, and in most instances, lasts from the cradle to the grave; and

WHEREAS, Siblings Day follows the spirit of Mother's Day and Father's Day, honoring people who have helped in our development and who have shaped our values, beliefs and ideals; and

WHEREAS, the family has always been the cornerstone of American society, and siblings make an important contribution to who we are as individuals; our older brothers and sisters teach us and provide role models for us, and younger brothers and sisters give us the valuable opportunity to learn how to nurture and take care of others; and

WHEREAS, our brothers and sisters are often the longest relationships in our lives; and

WHEREAS, Siblings Day is a day to cherish, appreciate and honor our brothers and sisters, and to remember with love and gratitude those who are no longer with us; and

WHEREAS, siblings share our earliest experiences in life, and help to shape who we are; and

WHEREAS, Siblings Day is an opportunity to remember the bond that siblings can share throughout life and the personal history that makes brothers and sisters so special to each other;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BEVERLY EAVES PERDUE, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 10, 2012, as "**SIBLINGS DAY**" in North Carolina and commend this observance to our citizens.



A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Beverly Eaves Perdue".

BEVERLY EAVES PERDUE

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this twenty-second day of March in the year of our Lord two thousand and twelve, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirty-sixth.